

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following paragraph before the first line of the specification.

This application claims benefit of United States Provisional application no: 60/447,310, filed February 14, 2003.

Please replace the last full paragraph at page 15 of the specification with the following amended paragraph.

A preferred example of the washing solution is a buffer (such as phosphate buffer, PBS, or a Tris-HCl buffer) to which a nonionic surfactant such as ~~Tween~~-TWEEN has been added.

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 28 and 29 of the specification with the following amended paragraph.

A Kit 1 of the present invention containing the following components was prepared:

1. polystyrene microtiter plate: 1 plate;
2. monoclonal antibody (Toyo 6E3) (first antibody) prepared in Production Example (1): 1 vial;
3. goat anti-mouse IgG antibody (second antibody) labeled with HRP: 1 vial;
4. TMB solution: 1 vial;
5. reaction stopping solution (1N HCl): 1 vial;
6. washing solution (PBS containing 0.05% ~~Tween20~~TWEEN20);
7. solution for diluting biological sample (PBS(-) containing 1% BSA);
8. CAP 18 standard solution: 1 set; and
9. manual describing method for assessment of CF, etc.